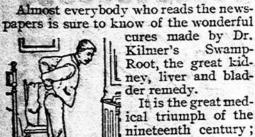
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**GUEST OF THE SUCKER CLUB** 

Resort Is Not What the Old Philosopher Was Led to Believe, and There Is an Insurrection at Green Lake. Mrs. B. Telephoned For.

[Copyright, 1907, by Homer Sprague.] Mr. Bowser was half an hour late in getting home from the office, and when he did arrive he had several parcels under his arms and an important look on his face. He refused to make any explanations until after dinner, though he beamed with good nature all through the meal and gave Mrs. Bowser to understand that there was something of importance on hand. When he was ready to explain he had a fishing rod, twelve fish hooks and six spare fish lines to help elucidate. He was going to take a couple of days off and go

"But where can you put in two days fishing?" asked Mrs. Bowser.

"At Green lake," he replied. "That's twenty miles away. I shall get up at 5 o'clock in the morning to catch the early train out there. I shall stay one night and perhaps two at the clubhouse there."

"But what put the idea into your head?"

"Why, I've wanted to go fishing for some time, but today one of the members of the Green Lake Sucker club invited me to go out to the lake and



MR. BOWSER FOUND HIMSELF ON THE BANKS OF GREEN LAKE.

stay as long as I wished. They have a fine clubhouse there, and they catch fish by the barrel. You needn't say anything about it, but they are sending about twenty barrels of bass to market every week. That's the way they are paying their expenses, but they don't want to be classed as fishermen. I stopped at the fish market as I came up, and Williams told me that he would take three barrels of bass from me. By John; I expect to have the time of my life!"

Why It Was So Named. "Why do they call it the Sucker club?" asked Mrs. Bowser after a mo-

ment's thought. "After the suckers in the lake, I suppose."

"But there are no suckers in any of the inland lakes. Those fish are only to be found in rivers or large lakes." "Did you ever catch a fish in your

life?" demanded Mr. Bowser as he bristled up. "N-0."

"Then don't put yourself to the front as an authority. I've caught suckers in lakes, rivers, ponds and everywhere else. I expected you'd raise some sort of objection to my going."

"I'm not raising any objection, my dear. On the contrary, I wish you to go. It will be good for your rheumatism, and if you can have two or three days' sport and sell three barrels of fish at the same time it will be a fine thing. I just thought the name was a funny one, that's all."

"The name is all right. If you were going to be particular about names you might ask why the president of the club, to whom I have a note of introduction, is named Bunko. What's that got to do with it?"

#### Made No Comments.

"Green lake - the Sucker club-President Bunko," mused Mrs. Bowser to herself, with an inward smile, but she made no comments. Mr. Bowser had made up his mind, and nothing she could say would turn him. She asked if fish were plenty, and he answered:

"There isn't a spot like it on the face of the earth. The fish are so plentiful that every four weeks the club invites the farmers for miles around to come and fill their wagons and draw them off for manure. Even then their splashing o' nights keeps the club members awake. You can use a scoop shovel, a pitchfork or a hook and line, just as you please. The lake is divided off into three sectionspickerel, bass and suckers-and one kind never trespasses upon the waters of the other. Oh, you can bet the club has got things down fine!"

"I hope you won't have to sleep on the floor," observed Mrs. Bowser.

"On the floor!" he exclaimed after her. "Why, woman, what are you talking about? The clubhouse is provided with forty bedrooms, each one with a Persian rug on the floor, paintings on the walls and a hair mattress on the bed. Our parlor is no comparison to theirs. They have four pianos, five billiard tables and a solid silver service. All the waiters dress

in uniform, and it takes twelve dozen bottles of champagne to go around at

"Who told you all this?" "Mr. Lyre, the member who was in

the office. You spell his name L-y-r-e." She Turned Pale. Mrs. Bowser turned pale, but made

no criticism. She knew that a lyre was a musical instrument to be played on and that it sometimes played on other folks for a change. There wasn't any doubt in her mind that it had been playing on Mr. Bowser that day.

At 5 o'clock next morning Mr. Lyre's victim got softly out of bed. He had said that he wouldn't wake anybody up and that he would take a late breakfast at the club. He got into his clothes in a great hurry and scrambled downstairs, and when Mrs. Bowser took a peep from the window he was almost running in his impatience to catch a car. He got a car and the train, and an hour later he was at Green lake station. It was a signal station and a water tank, and the signal house was occupied by a Mr. Gillam. He had just got out of bed and was leaning over the gate. Mr. Bowser looked around for the lake, but couldn't

He looked around for the clubhouse, but he couldn't see it.

He looked around for farmers' wagons loaded with fish, but none was

He looked around for some one to give him directions and after a time saw the man leaning over the gate in his shirt sleves and advanced and asked:

"Where is Green lake?" The man pointed over his shoulder into the jack pines.

"Is the clubhouse over there?" The man nodded and smiled.

"Don't they send a carriage to meet members and visitors?"

The man shook his head and grinned. Had Not Sent Word.

Mr. Bowser was somewhat taken aback and irritated, but finally remembered that he had not sent advance word and therefore was not expected. He went trudging away over the deep sand into the pines, and the horse fires and mosquitoes immediately claimed him for their own. They had been looking for an easy mark since daylight. There was a blind road leading somewhere, and it was followed for a mile. Then Mr. Bowser found himself on the banks of Green lake. There was no doubt of its being the sheet of water wanted, for there was a sign nailed to a tree.

Mr. Green ought to have been ashamed of himself. It was a duck pond about a hundred

feet across. It was filled with logs and brush.

Its waters were the color of chocolate. There were no fish leaping up or crowding each other out on the banks.

Mr. Bowser felt a thousand volcanoes rising up within him and shaking him from head to heel. He longed to spit forth redhot expressions in several languages, but hung on to himself until he had looked about a bit. Presently he espied a bark shanty and walked over to it. There was a big club leaning up against it, and it bore on a tag the words, "This is the club." On the side of the shanty was written in chalk, "And this is the house."

#### Made the Soil Fly.

It didn't take Mr. Bowser over an hour and a half to catch on. Then he turned loose, and the treetops began to sway and the sandy soil to fly. The nightingale took a fly, and the whippoorwill realized that she couldn't compete with such a man. Woodchucks sought their holes, and the crafty fox got a hump on nim and ran for two miles without stopping.

At 10 o'clock in the forenoon Mrs. Bowser was called to the telephone and asked:

"Are you Mrs. Bowser?" "Yes. What is it?"

"Did your husband start for Green lake on a fishing trip this morning?" "Yes, but don't tell me that he is

"No, ma'am, I won't, though I wish to heaven I could. My name is Gillam. I am the station agent here. Mr. Bowser went out and saw the lake and the club and the house and came back here on the whoop. He has tipped over the water tank, torn out one side of the depot, ripped up half a mile of track and is holding up two freight trains. For God's sake, come out here and coax him to go home with you!" And when Mrs. Bowser hung up the

trumpet she simply smiled.

Seeing the Sights.

M. QUAD.



New Yorker (to visitor)-There is a relic of the past-an old Fifth avenue balloon.-Harper's Weekly.

#### Ready For the Next.

At a political meeting the chairman acked at the end of the candidate's speech whether "anny gintleman has anny question to ask."

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#### No Use for It.

"The crows are in your corn, Col-

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